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SUBJECT:-REQUESTED CLEARANCE FOR GEODETIC SURVEYS

1. GOC CLEARANCE IS REQUESTED FOR THE DEFENSE MAPPING AGENCY (DMA) TO ESTABLISH GEODETIC POSITIONS FOR ELEVEN (11) SELECTED POINTS EXTENDING FROM SOUTH TO NORTH ALONG THE WESTERN PARTS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA AND THE YUKON TERRITORY. GENERAL LOCATION OF THESE STATIONS ARE VICTORIA, QUALICUM BEACH, CAMPBELL RIVER, ALERT BAY, NAMU, KLEMTU AND PRINCE RUPERT IN BRITISH COLUMBIA AND HAINES JUNCTION, BURWASH LANDING, KOIDERN AND PORT ALCAN, YUKON TERRITORY. GEODETIC POINTS ARE TO BE ESTABLISHED AT THESE LOCALS AS PHOTO-IDENTIFIABLE CHECK POINTS FOR OFF-RANGE ANALYSIS OF COMPLETELY INTEGRATED REFERENCE INSTRUMENTATION SYSTEM (CIRIS) AIR NAVIGATION TESTS OF THE U.S. AIR FORCE CENTRAL INERTIAL GUIDANCE TEST FACILITY.

2. THE DMA PROPOSES TO ESTABLISH GEODETIC POSITIONS BOTH BY CONVENTIONAL, GEODETIC SURVEY TIES TO LOCAL CONTROL NETWORKS AT THREE (3) STATIONS, AND BY DIRECT POSITIONING OF EIGHT (8) REMAINING STATIONS WITH DOPPLER SATELLITE

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GEODESY USING A PORTABLE SATELLITE RECEIVER (THE

GEOCEIVER.) GEOCEIVER OBSERVATIONS WILL INVOLVE NO MORE THAN ONE WEEK'S OBSERVATION AT ANY ONE STATION.

3. DMA PLANS TO ASSIGN THE SURVEY TASK TO GEODETIC SURVEY SQUADRON (GSS) OF THE DMA AEROSPACE CENTER (DMAAC). A GSS FIELD TEAM WILL CONSIST OF A MILITARY-CIVILIAN MIX OF FOUR SURVEYORS AND UP TO FOUR GEOCEIVER TEAMS MAY BE DEPLOYED ON THIS PROJECT.

4. DEPLOYMENT SCHEDULE PLANNED FOR THIS SURVEY IS IN JULY-AUGUST 1974.

5. GEODETIC ASPECTS OF THIS SURVEY HAVE BEEN DISCUSSED BETWEEN HEADQUARTERS, DMA AND DIRECTORATE OF CARTOGRAPHY (D/CARTO), CANADIAN NATIONAL DEFENSE HEADQUARTERS AT 11 MARCH 1974 CANADA-U.S. MAPPING AND CHARTING MEETING. DMA HAS PROPOSED TO D/CARTO THAT D/CARTO PARTICIPATE IN GEOCEIVER OPERATIONS AND PROVIDE ASSISTANCE WITH THE GEODETIC SURVEY. DMA WILL PROVIDE D/CARTO WITH SPECIFICS OF GEODETIC SURVEY AND DETAILS OF ASSISTANCE REQUESTED.

6. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO APPROACH GOC WITH REQUEST FOR CLEARANCE OF GEODETIC SURVEYS AS DESCRIBED IN PARAS 1-4 ABOVE. RUSH

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